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Group Art Unit: Examiner: In Re PATENT APPLICATION of: Notker AMANN, et al Applicant(s) Customer No. International 26694 PCT/EP00/00657 Application No. **PRELIMINARY** January 28, 2000 Filed **AMENDMENT** National To be Assigned Application No. METHOD AND DEVICE FOR TRANSMITTING SIMULATION For MODELS BETWEEN SIMULATORS Attorney August 6, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Docket: :

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows, it being noted that an appendix showing the marked up claims is attached:

IN THE CLAIMS:

The device according to claim 2, characterized in that it is an 3. integrated component of one of the simulators (10, 17).

Please add the following new claim:

7. (New) The device according to claim 1, characterized in that it is an integrated component of one of the simulators (10, 17).

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to avoid multiple claim dependency and to provide claim coverage corresponding to original claim 3.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

IN THE CLAIMS:

3. The device according to claim [1 or] 2, characterized in that it is an integrated component of one of the simulators (10, 17).